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SENATE MEMORIAL 29

**48TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2007**

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A MEMORIAL

REQUESTING THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENTS OF DEFENSE AND ENERGY  
TO DISMANTLE NUCLEAR WEAPONS AT KIRTLAND AIR FORCE BASE.

WHEREAS, major events such as the shuttle Columbia  
disaster on February 1, 2003 and the terrorist attacks of  
September 11, 2001 have taken place that, after investigation,  
revealed great lapses in safety and precautionary measures; and

WHEREAS, Albuquerque is reported in professional  
publications and local newspapers to be the home of the largest  
concentration of nuclear munitions anywhere in the world; and

WHEREAS, newspapers have reported special tests and  
training exercises conducted at Kirtland air force base,  
simulating accidents in which nuclear materials have been  
dispersed in a subcritical nature; and

WHEREAS, the damage to Albuquerque's local economy and

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1 civic life would be great if there is an accident involving the  
2 nuclear munitions stored at Kirtland air force base;

3 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE  
4 OF NEW MEXICO that the United States departments of defense and  
5 energy be requested to dismantle and remove from Albuquerque  
6 the weapons of mass destruction stored at Kirtland air force  
7 base; and

8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be  
9 transmitted to the secretaries of the United States departments  
10 of defense and energy and to the members of New Mexico's  
11 congressional delegation.